Welcome



Practical research benefiting children and youth

Two Shifts

First Shift

From fixing young people's problems



Promoting young people's strengths

Second Shift

Beyond programs



Relationships

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- Empowerment
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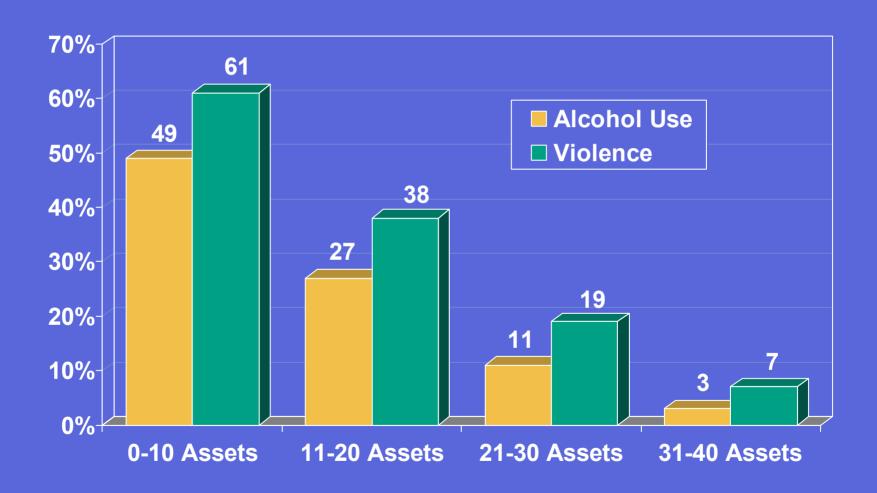
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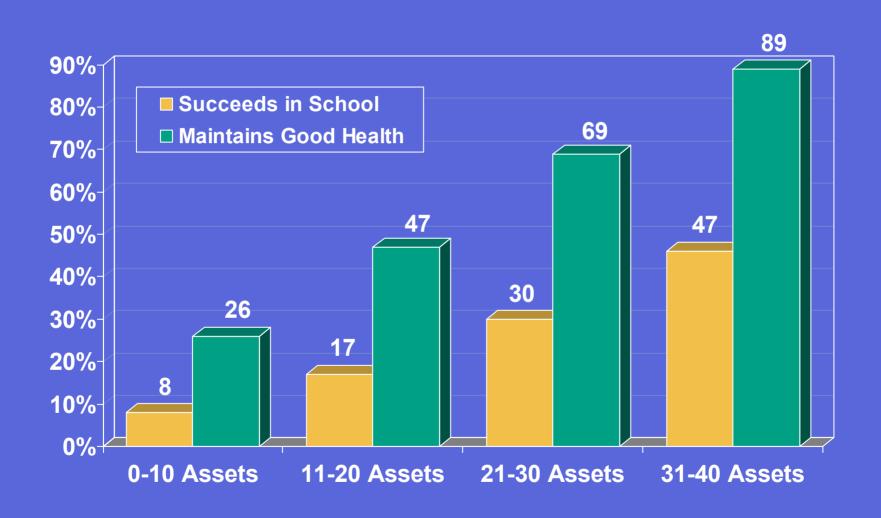
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- Positive Values
- Social Competencies
- Positive Identity

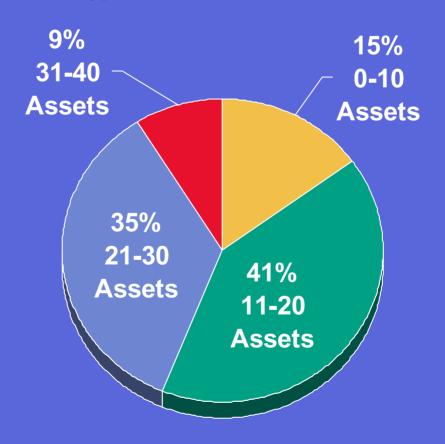
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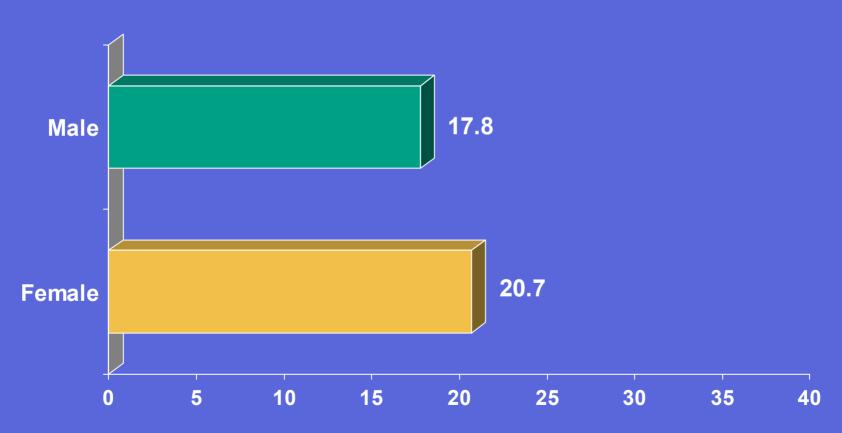
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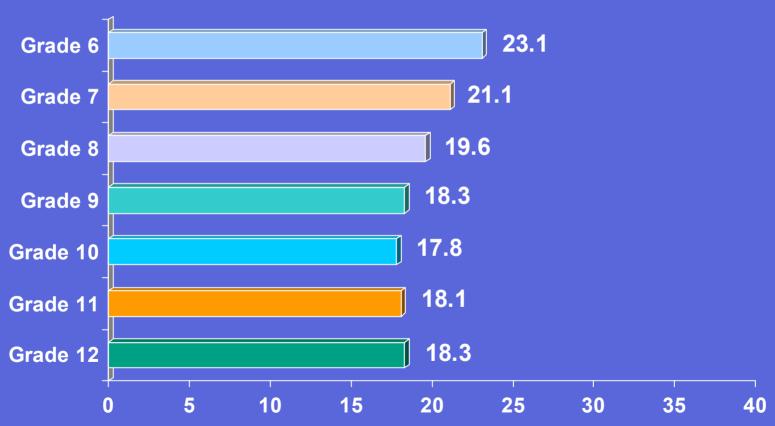
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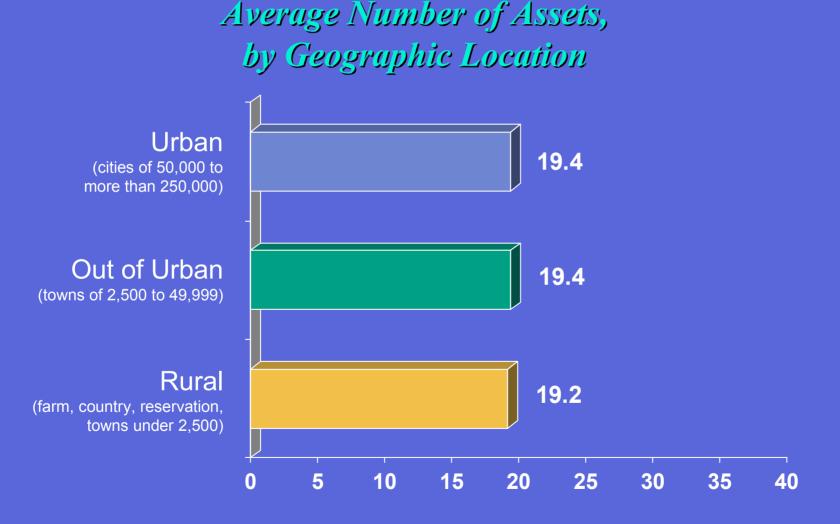












Grading Grown-Ups

Actions	Believe Important %	Do It %	Gap (in % pts.)
Encourage success in school	90	69	21
Expect parents to set boundaries	84	42	42
Teach shared values	80	45	35
Teach respect for cultural differences	77	36	41
Guide decision making	76	41	35
Have meaningful conversations	75	34	41
Give financial guidance	75	36	39
Discuss personal values	73	37	36
Expect respect for adults	68	67	1

The Asset-Building Difference

From	To

Young people's problems

Young people's strengths

Professionals' work

Everyone's work

Young people absorbing resources Young people as resources

Programs Relationships

Troubled young people All young people

Accountable only for own

behavior

Accountable as well for other adults' behavior

Incidental asset building Intentional asset building

Blaming others Claiming responsibility